## **EXHIBIT A**

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### DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

A-15-719715-C

Clark County, Nevada

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	(Assigned by Clerk',	Office)				
I. Party Information (provide both ho	me and malling addresses if different)					
Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone):			Defendant(s) (name/address/phone):			
LILLIAN TAMAYO			SAMSONITE COMPANY STORES,LLC.;			
	EMPL		OYEE(S)/AGENT(S) DOES 1-10;			
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Attorney (name/address/phone):		Attorno	(name/address/phone):			
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170 S Green Valley Parkway, Suite 28	n	<del> </del>				
Henderson, NV 89012	J	<del>- </del>				
(702) 259-7777		<del> </del>				
II. Nature of Controversy (please se	lect the one most applicable filing type	below)				
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Real Property			Torts			
Landlord/Tenant	Negligence		Other Torts			
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Title to Property	Other Negligence		Employment Tort			
Judicial Foreclosure	Malpractice		Insurance Tort			
Other Title to Property	Medical/Dental		Other Tort			
Other Real Property	Legal					
Condemnation/Eminent Domain	Accounting					
Other Real Property	Other Malpractice					
Probate	Construction Defect & Contract		Judicial Review/Appeal			
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Summary Administration	Chapter 40		Foreclosure Mediation Case			
General Administration	Other Construction Defect		Petition to Seal Records			
Special Administration	Contract Case		Mental Competency			
Set Aside	Uniform Commercial Code		Nevada State Agency Appeal			
Trust/Conservatorship	Building and Construction		Department of Motor Vehicle			
Other Probate	Insurance Carrier		Worker's Compensation			
Estate Value	Commercial Instrument		Other Nevada State Agency			
Over \$200,000	Collection of Accounts		Appeal Other			
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Writ of Quo Warrant		Other Civil Matters				
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See other side for family-related case filings.

Electronically Filed 06/10/2015 04:24:26 PM COMP 1 GABROY LAW OFFICES Christian Gabroy (#8805) **CLERK OF THE COURT** 2 Ivy Hensel (#13502) The District at Green Valley Ranch 3 170 South Green Valley Parkway, Suite 280 4 Henderson, Nevada 89012 (702) 259-7777 Tel 5 Fax (702) 259-7704 christian@gabroy.com 6 ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF 7 DISTRICT COURT 8 EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, CLARK COUNTY NEVADA 9 10 LILLIAN TAMAYO, an individual; Case No.: A- 15- 719715- C 11 Dept.: Plaintiff. 12 V\$. COMPLAINT 13 SAMSONITE COMPANY STORES, LLC.; EMPLOYEE(S)/AGENT(S) DOES (JURY DEMAND) 14 1-10; and ROE CORPORATIONS 11-15 20, inclusive, 16 Defendants. 17 COMES NOW Plaintiff Lillian Tamayo ("Plaintiff" or "Tamayo,") by and through her 18 19 attorneys, Christian Gabroy, Esq. and Ivy Hensel, Esq. of Gabroy Law Offices, and 20 hereby alleges and complains against Defendant Samsonite Company Stores, LLC. 21 ("Defendant" or "Samsonite") as follows: 22 JURISDICTION AND VENUE 23 1. This is a civil action for damages under state and federal laws prohibiting 24 unlawful employment actions and to secure the protection of and to redress deprivation of 25 26 rights under these laws. 27 2. Jurisdiction and venue is based upon 29 U.S.C. § 2601, et. seq. and NRS

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- 3. Plaintiff demands a jury trial on all issues triable by jury herein.
- 4. All alleged unlawful employment actions occurred in this judicial district.

#### THE PARTIES

- 5. At all relevant times, Plaintiff was an individual residing in this judicial district.
- 6. At all relevant times, Plaintiff was an employee of Defendant as that term is defined in the Family Medical Leave Act ("FMLA"), 29 U.S.C. § 2611, et. seq.
- 7. At all times relevant, Defendant Samsonite was a foreign limited liability company registered with the Nevada Secretary of State and was Plaintiff's employer as that term is defined by NRS Chapter 613 and the FMLA, 29 U.S.C. § 2611, et. seq.
- 8. DOE DEFENDANTS I-X, inclusive, are persons and ROE DEFENDANTS XI-XX, inclusive, are corporations or business entities (collectively referred to as "DOE/ROE DEFENDANTS"), whose true identities are unknown to Plaintiff at this time. These ROE CORPORATIONS may be parent companies, subsidiary companies, owners, predecessor or successor entities, or business advisors, de facto partners, Plaintiff's employer, or joint venturers of Defendants. Individual DOE DEFENDANTS are persons acting on behalf of or at the direction of any Defendants or who may be officers, employees, or agents of Defendants and/or a ROE CORPORATION or a related business entity. These DOE/ROE Defendants were Plaintiff's employer(s) are liable for Plaintiff's damages alleged herein for their unlawful employment actions/omissions. Plaintiff will seek leave to amend this Complaint as soon as the true identities of DOE/ROE DEFENDANTS are revealed to Plaintiff.

#### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

9. In or around 2008, Plaintiff was hired and began to work for Defendant as a floor supervisor.

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- 10. Plaintiff was an exceptional employee who exceeded performance expectations. Plaintiff was promoted to assistant manager.
- 11. On or about June 14, 2013, Plaintiff suffered a work related job injury. While stacking boxes at work, Plaintiff lifted a heavy box above her head. Plaintiff felt a severe pain in her left shoulder.
- 12. On or about June 16, 2013, Plaintiff notified her supervisor, Francisco Padilla ("Padilla"), of her injury as soon as he returned from his day off of work. See attached incident reporting form hereto as Exhibit I.
- 13. As a result of her work related injury, Plaintiff sought medical care. Plaintiff was diagnosed with having a strained left shoulder.
- 14. Plaintiff pursued and filed a worker's compensation claim. Thus, Plaintiff invoked her rights under the worker's compensation laws. See attached form c-4 hereto as Exhibit II.
- 15. On or about June 17, 2013, Plaintiff was released to return to work with work restrictions including no lifting over twenty (20) pounds and no pushing and/or pulling over forty (40) pounds of force. Plaintiff was also advised to attend physical therapy weekly. See attached physician work activity status report hereto as Exhibit III.
- 16. Upon her return to work, Plaintiff requested an accommodation. Defendant temporarily provided Plaintiff with an accommodation according to her work restrictions. Defendant temporarily assigned Plaintiff to work in a kiosk.
- 17. Subsequently, Defendant denied Plaintiff's request for a reasonable accommodation.
  - 18. Defendant placed Plaintiff on involuntary FMLA leave of absence "due to a

Workers'	Compensation injury	effective 7/5/	13." See at	ttached c	orrespondence	hereto as
Exhibit IV	<b>/</b> .					

- 19. Defendant informed Plaintiff that she could not return to work from involuntary FMLA leave until her work restrictions were completely lifted.
- 20. Plaintiff continued to receive medical treatment and was placed on light work restrictions. Plaintiff requested to return to work with her light duty restrictions.
- 21. Plaintiff regularly contacted Defendant to update Defendant of the status of her work restrictions.
- 22. Defendant continued to inform Plaintiff that she could not return to work until her work restrictions due to her injury were completely lifted.
  - 23. Padilla represented to Plaintiff that her job was secure.
- 24. On or about October 29, 2013, Defendant's agent, Human Resources Manager, Tracy Bertles ("Bertles"), contacted Plaintiff.
  - 25. On or about October 29, 2013, Defendant terminated Plaintiff.
- 26. Defendant's proffered reason for termination was that Defendant would no longer hold her position open and that it would not hold it open for longer than a period of twelve (12) weeks.

## TORTIOUS DISCHARGE IN VIOLATION OF PUBLIC POLICY PROTECTING EMPLOYEES WHO PURSUE WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

- 27. Plaintiff hereby realleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 26 of this Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
- 28. Defendant terminated Plaintiff for reasons that violate Nevada's public policy against discrimination and/or termination of employees who pursue and file workers' compensation claims. Defendant tortiously terminated Plaintiff for her pursuit and filing of

her lawful workers' compensation claim.

- 29. As a proximate result of Defendant's tortious discharge of Plaintiff, Plaintiff suffered general, special, and consequential damages in excess of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars).
- 30. Defendant's acts and/or omissions were fraudulent, malicious, or oppressive under NRS 42.005. Pursuant to NRS 42.005, Plaintiff is entitled to an award of punitive damages in excess of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).
- 31. As a result of Defendant's conduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff has been required to retain the services of an attorney and, as a direct, natural, and foreseeable consequence thereof, has been damaged thereby, and is entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

## COUNT II VIOLATION OF FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

- 32. Plaintiff hereby hereby realleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 31 of this Complaint as through fully set forth herein.
- 33. Defendant interfered with, restrained, and/or denied the exercise of or the attempt to exercise Plaintiff's rights under the FMLA.
- 34. Defendant required Plaintiff to use FMLA leave of absence due to her injury, although she was capable of performing tasks within her job description with minimal work restrictions. Plaintiff's doctor certified her release to return to work. Plaintiff provided such release to return to her work to Defendant. Defendant required Plaintiff to be on involuntary FMLA leave of absence even though Plaintiff was released to return to work by her doctor.
- 35. Plaintiff, by being required to use FMLA leave of absence for her shoulder injury, exercised her rights under FMLA. Defendant committed the aforementioned Page 5 of 7

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conduct including Plaintiff's termination in reckless and willful violation of Plaintiff's federally protected rights.

- 36. Defendant's aforementioned conduct including requiring Plaintiff to go on an involuntary FMLA leave of absence and termination of Plaintiff resulted in Defendant engaging in activity that chilled the exercise of Plaintiff's rights, caused interference, caused harassment, and retaliation against Plaintiff for exercising her rights under the FMLA, and/or discriminated against Plaintiff in violation of the FMLA, 29 USC § 2615 et. seq.
- 37. Defendant terminated Plaintiff while she was required by Defendant to be on an involuntary FMLA leave of absence.
- 38. Defendant terminated Plaintiff because it would not hold her job position open for longer than twelve weeks.
- 39. Defendant's aforementioned conduct and resulting termination of Plaintiff was motivated by the exercise of Plaintiff's rights under FMLA and was in violation of the FMLA.
- 40. Defendant discriminated against and discharged Plaintiff for using FMLA leave of absence and for exercising her FMLA protected rights.
- 41. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's unlawful activity, Plaintiff has sustained damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 42. The conduct of Defendant has been malicious, fraudulent or oppressive and was designed to vex, annoy, harass or humiliate Plaintiff and thus Plaintiff is entitled to punitive damages with respect to her claim.
- 43. Plaintiff has been forced to obtain counsel to seek redress for Defendant's legal violations and thus is entitled to recoup his attorney's fees and costs.

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for a judgment against Defendant as follows:

- A. For general damages in excess of \$10,000.00;
- B. For special damages, where applicable, in excess of \$10,000.00;
- C. For compensatory damages in excess of \$10,000.00;
- D. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in filing this action;
- E. For punitive damages on claims warranting such damages;
- F. Such other and further relief as this Court deems appropriate and just.

Dated this <u>\langle</u> day of June 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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## EXHBIT

### Sams@nite

### INCIDENT REPORTING FORM

### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT OF EMPLOYEE ACCIDENT OR INJURY

NOTE: This form should be completed only by a supervisor
This form is to be completed in addition to the *Employee Accident or Injury* form
If the incident does not involve an employee, please use the *Non-Employee Accident or Injury* form

EMPLOYEE	16 :
Injured Employee's name: Lillian Anwto Tam	Alob Title: Asst manager
Address: 9444 Lake Creek St	Day Phone
Las Vegas NU 89123	Evening Phone:
Store Number: 153 U	Experience in position: 4 YPAS
Witnesses:	
Manager/Supervisor name: FeanVisco Padi	lla
INCIDENT	_
Date of incident: <u>10-14-2013</u>	Time of Incident: 11:00 AMPM
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COMPLETED BY Name: William Anneth Tamayo Signature: Man Junath Tamayo	Title: ASST Manager :  Date: U/16/13					
REVIEWED BY (Human Resources Representative)						
Name:	Title:					
Signature:	_Date:					

E-mail this form immediately to <u>Tracy.Bertles@Samsonite.com</u>, fax to (303) 373-7218 or call 1-800-637-6582

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### EMPLOYEE'S CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION/REPORT OF INITIAL TREATMENT FORM C-4

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Service Date: 06/17/2013 Case Date: 06/14/2013

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Patient: Tamayo, Lillian A. SSN: Address: 9444 Lake Creek ST. LAS VEGAS, NV 89 Home: Work: (702) 878-1113 Ext.	123 Address:	n: Samsonite 7400 Las Vega LAS VEGAS, I Francisco Pad	as Blvd. NV 89123		Tracy HR Manager (303) 373-7476	Ext.:
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Visit Date: Wednesday June 19, 2013 2:00 pm

Provider/Facility: Robert D. Lewis, MD

# EXHIBIT IV

Annette,

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Thanks, Tracy

August 2, 2013

Lillian Tamayo 9444 Lake Creek St. Las Vegas, NV 98123

Dear Lillian,

You have been placed off work due to a Workers' Compensation injury effective 7/5/13.

As an employee of Samsonite Corporation it is important that you are aware of what will be expected of you during this Workers' Compensation Leave of Absence.

Please review the following items carefully:

- You must report to Human Resources Department and/or your Supervisor after each and every appointment.
- Human Resources and your Supervisor will review the work status form to determine if you return to work or continue off on a leave of absence.
- You must call Samsonite Human Resources at (303) 373-7476 or (800) 637-6582, as soon as possible, if you cannot keep a scheduled appointment.
- The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, if you are eligible, will run concurrent with this Workers' Compensation Leave of Absence.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (800) 637-6582.

Sincerely,

Tracy Bertles

Manager Human Resources

Tracy Bertles

Samsonite LLC

P.O. Box 21187

Denver, CO 80221

Fax: 303-373-7218

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